

Sonoma County Water Agency MEDIA ADVISORY

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SCWA assists in paint spill cleanup

Staff from Sonoma County Water Agency responded today to assist in the cleanup effort surrounding a large paint spill from a private business to Redwood Creek, a small seasonal creek just north of Airport Boulevard, east of Sonoma County Airport in Windsor.

The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board is the lead agency in responding to the accident, in which approximately 50 to 60 gallons of a recently applied, acrylic, latex-based roof coating washed into the creek after a light rain. In an effort to minimize the possible effects of the spill, SCWA staff worked to pump an estimated 500,000 gallons of water from the creek into the Agency's Airport/Larkfield/Wikiup wastewater treatment plant. Staff also worked with the Regional Board and local haz mat response staff to contain the remaining roof coating.

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